

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

BURTON et al.

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For: "NOVEL MICRO-ORGANISMS,  
THEIR USE AND METHOD FOR  
PRODUCING D-AMINO ACIDS"

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Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on June 28, 2002, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response for up to five months.

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